## Friends of Clifton Park Open Space, P.O. Box 821, Clifton Park, New York 12065

## **SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATE QUESTIONS:**

## **JENNYFER GLEASON – ANSWERS:**

1. How would you respond to the sustained depth and extent of public support within the district for keeping the 34 acres in the public domain? Please share your views about a potential future for this property.

My response to the vast public support for keeping the 34 acres in the public domain highly commendable for speaking up and taking action to preserve this land. Moving forward, I certainly support the Board working with the Town to create parks for those in the district as well as the surrounding communities to enjoy.

2. Throughout the RFP and subsequent Referendum process, the School Board appeared to take a subservient position to that of the Superintendent. How would you use your position as a school board member to put the impetus for school policy back into the hands of the school board?

As a School Board Member, I would use my position to work with the other Board members (some of whom I know) to urge our position as a Board, reach out to those in the district for input on issues, and work to develop policies which will positively impact all students and those in the District. I would not be subservient to the Superintendent. I would listen to his input, but the decision lies in the Board elected.

3. How can the School Board strive for more transparency, and improve communications on key issues in order to interact with residents more effectively?

The School Board could strive to be more transparent by reaching out to those in the district in a variety of ways (open meeting for public input, website information and questions to obtain feedback on major issues or issues of significant impact on students or community) in an effort to interact with residents more effectively.

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